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The Wooster VOICE

We're not just going to have people filling
seats; this year, it will be important.
— Karl Bekeny '99, SGA President

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AMERICA'S OLDEST WEEKLY COLLEGE NEWSPAPER

Thursday, September 10, 1998

Wooster to improve Christmas Run Park

DAN SHORTRIDGE
NEWS EDITOR

The Wooster City Council adopted a resolution at its Tuesday meeting which would revitalize and stabilize the pond at Christmas Run Park. The proposal, sponsored by Council member Robert Breneman (R-At Large), the chair of the Public Properties Committee, would effectively shrink the pond's width from 80 to 60 feet with the construction of a non-eroding perimeter and the pouring of a concrete headwall, according to Parks Manager Frank Gilbert. With the new perimeter, "we won't get the muck in the pond that we're getting now," said Gilbert. The revitalization would also include dredging of the pond, making it three feet deep, Gilbert said, adding that the pond was currently two feet deep with "two feet of muck." The resolution authorized Director of Administration Jean Baird to advertise and then to contract with the "lowest and best bidder." Gilbert said that the contractor would begin the project this fall and finish by the spring of 1999. The resolution passed unanimously.

Also on the subject of parks, Council member Barbara Hustwit (D-Ward 2) reported that despite Council's June 1 refusal to drill for oil and gas in the section of Wooster Memorial Park owned by the City, the Spangler family is proceeding with seismant testing in the section that they own. She also stated that, despite her invitation to the extremely vocal opponents of the drilling to contribute their time and money to help the park system, no one had done so.

"It would appear that talk is not only cheap, but in some cases completely worthless," Hustwit said. Hustwit is an adjunct professor of English at the College and also a consultant at the Writing Center.

Members also unanimously supported a resolution sponsored by Judi Mitten (R-Ward 4) under which the City would apply for grants from the Stark-Tuscarawas-Wayne Joint

Solid Waste Management District. The first grant, Mitten explained, would be a compost grant, under which the City would be reimbursed for its leaf pickup at the rate of \$25 a ton and receive up to \$130,000. Another grant would provide for environmentally-friendly furniture at city parks, furniture which would be "made out of recycled products," according to Council President Gary Thompson (R).

Despite opposition by Council member Tom Vura (R-At Large), members extended the City's contract with Competitive Edge, Inc., a consulting firm currently working with City employees and administrators to develop "cross functional teams." Vura raised the issue of what would happen when the now-extended contract expires in December, questioning whether the leadership and organizational changes would be lasting. Council member Jim Hodges (D-Ward 1) joined Vura in questioning, saying that "[we] seem to hire a lot of consultants," but supported the contract extension. The cross-functional concept, explained to Council members and the public in an earlier presentation, is designed to streamline both internal and external department communications and teamwork and improve general customer service.

In other action, Council authorized an additional \$5,000 contract with G&O Services of Shreve to combat the mosquito problem in the area. The city is nearing the limit of its earlier \$10,000 contract, said sponsor Hodges, chair of the Public Health and Leisure Committee and a professor of history emeritus at the College, and there are still "lots of mosquitos."

Members also voted unanimously to issue \$3 million in notes, "in anticipation of the issue of Bond," to provide for the installation of a new City water treatment plant. Hustwit, Chair of the Finance Committee, reminded members that in Dec. of

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Woo's Own Ticketmaster Chemistry department encounters problems

ALEXANDER PRIES
STAFF WRITER

Among all the beautiful campus surroundings, one image stands apart from the rest: the image of heavy construction. What's behind these heavy piles of concrete and steel fences? The renovation of Severance Hall has resulted in the closing of University Street and major headaches for one department on campus.

The renovation of Severance is overdue, as the building has housed the chemistry department since the 1960s. Until this restoration is complete, other buildings on campus have been commandeered to serve as temporary facilities for the department. The labs and lecture rooms can be found in Mateer, Taylor, and Scovel Halls. Faculty members' offices have been scattered around campus, with some taking up residence in Hider Apartments. According to Professor Virginia Pett, chair of the chemistry department, other departments have been more than helpful. "Our science colleagues have been very generous with sharing space with us."

One major problem as a result of the renovation is the lack of equipment that could be found in Severance. Specifically, fume hoods are needed for certain chemical reactions. "Everybody realizes that this is going to be, logistically, a difficult year," Professor Pett said. In an attempt to make up for this, the College has purchased portable fume hoods for use in Taylor Hall.

In addition to the equipment issue, the renovation has caused some space problems. With three labs and a stockroom in Mateer, and General

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Rusted Root aficionados line up for tickets.

PHOTO BY BEN SPIELDENNER

Organizing for justice

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BUSINESS MANAGER
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STAFF WRITER

The first informal meeting of the new Wooster Student Organizing Committee was held on Tuesday in Lowry Pit.

According to co-organizer Kathleen Reynolds '99, "This [WSOC] is a very grassroots effort. We're starting from the beginning." The idea of the WSOC grew out of the cooperation between student organizations during last spring's Peace, Justice, and Earth Week. "After Peace, Justice, and Earth Week, we thought we should capitalize on it in the fall," said Reynolds.

Reynolds and co-organizer Nikki Miller '00 met with seven other students to consider ways to promote unity among student organizations. A day long conference with speakers, panels, and films was discussed as a potential event to help reach their goals. This conference would focus on skill-building in publicity, media outreach, and the history of organizing. Participants would possibly include Wooster students and faculty members.

The students described the best and worst aspects of being an organizer on campus. "I think apathy is probably the worst thing about Wooster," said Stephanie Roberts

'01.

Mark Matienzo '01, who is interested in starting a Wooster branch of the International Workers of the World, mentioned the difficulties of organizing. Matienzo said Wooster is "somewhat conservative" and "you get a lot of resistance."

Publicity was mentioned as one integral way to overcome apathy and resistance. Kelly Roberts '01 said, "I think we have to get the word out about a lot of different clubs."

Outreach to a variety of campus organizations will include meetings with student leaders and distribution of fliers around campus.

The initial tasks of the group include contacting other student organizations and seeking funds from them, Reynolds suggested. The WSOC is not an official organization, and therefore does not have a budget. It must rely on other organizations' donations to fund any ventures.

Abby Maier '01, Stephanie Roberts '01, Kelly Roberts '01, and Sarah Roberts '01, members of The Lighthouse, a service group housed in the Holden Annex, agreed to arrange the next meeting of the WSOC at a later date to be named.

Anyone interested in becoming involved in WSOC should contact Reynolds at x4182.

THE FINE PRINT

✓ Registration for SideKicks, a not-for-credit series of classes taught by Wooster students, faculty, and community members, will be held on Monday and Tuesday in Lowry lobby from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m.

✓ Career Services is offering Senior Orientation programs throughout September. Participation is required to participate in the office's employment programs. For more information, call ext. 2496.

Days until
Rusted Root:
40!!!

✓ Author and journalist David Halberstam will kick off the 1998 Wooster Forum series with a lecture titled "Then and Now" tonight at 7:30 p.m. in McGaw Chapel.

✓ On Saturday SAB is sponsoring a trip to Cedar Point Amusement Park, leaving at 10 a.m. Tickets are \$18 and available at the Lowry front desk.
✓ On Wednesday, Student Health Services is sponsoring anonymous HIV testing in Hygeia Hall from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

News Briefs

INTERNATIONAL

• North Korea celebrated its 50th anniversary Wednesday with choreographed pageantry in a salute to the late North Korean leader Kim Il Sung. Sung was named the nation's "eternal president" on Saturday, and his memory was honored with large statues and banners. Preparations for the anniversary celebrations had been going on for months, said the only Western reporter on the scene, CNN's Mike Chinoy. The Red Guard marched in the streets as bystanders waved red pom-poms, and an honor guard fired a 21-gun salute. North Korea's current leader, Kim Jong Il, Song's son, was re-elected head of the National Defense Commission on Saturday.

• Just prior to a speech by the head of the United Nations Human Rights Commission on Wednesday, Chinese police dragged away a jailed dissident's wife waiting to meet her. Chu Hailan, wife of Liu Hailan, was standing outside of the entrance to a Beijing hotel waiting to meet Mary Robinson and ask for her help in freeing her husband. But officials pulled Chu away through the lobby of the Hilton Hotel. She said in a telephone interview that the police beat her in the hotel and then released her eight hours after being taken in. The arrest came moments before Robinson spoke about China's human rights problems.

NATIONAL

• In Vermont, a retired dairy farmer defeated a millionaire corporate consultant in the Republican primary for the U.S. Senate seat held by Democratic Senator Patrick Leahy. Consultant Jack McMullen, 56, who had recently moved to Vermont from Massachusetts, was defeated by a 10 percent margin by 79-year-old Fred Tuttle, who spent only \$200 during the race — most of which went to portable toilets for a nickle-a-plate fundraising dinner. Tuttle gained regional celebrity status as the star of the movie "Man With A Plan," in which he played a retired dairy farmer who runs for Congress because he needs the money.

• On Wednesday afternoon, materials from Independent Counsel Ken Starr's investigation of President Clinton were "on the way" to the House of Representatives' Judiciary Committee, said sources. Committee attorneys have been ordered to work out the details of releasing Starr's impending report to the public. Sources close to the investigation say that the details of the report will likely include allegations of perjury, obstruction of justice, and abuse of power. Starr's report will also very likely include the sordid details of Clinton's affair with Monica Lewinsky, a former White House intern.

• The Pillsbury Co. has issued a recall of several thousand packages of refrigerated cookie dough after learning that some cases were mislabeled. The mislabeled packages were labeled "Pillsbury Chocolate Chip Cookies," and did not list walnuts as an ingredient. Some people have a potentially fatal allergy to walnuts, although no illnesses have been reported, said the company. Customers who have questions should call 1-(800)-775-0625.

• The conviction and death sentence of Timothy McVeigh was upheld by the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals on Tuesday. McVeigh was convicted for the 1995 bombing attack on the Oklahoma City federal building that killed 168 people. The court, in a 3-0 ruling, rejected his attorney's arguments for a new trial. The attorneys argued that he should be re-tried for a variety of reasons, including juror misconduct, exclusion of evidence that "someone else may have committed the bombing," and pre-trial publicity. McVeigh's co-defendant, Terry Nichols, is in the process of appealing his conviction. McVeigh is behind held in a maximum security federal prison in Colorado.

• On Wednesday Virginia researchers said that they had discovered a means to choose the sex of a child through a sperm-sorting technique followed by artificial insemination. Researchers at the Genetics and IVF Institute in Fairfax were able to separate sperm cells containing X and Y chromosomes by measuring the amount of DNA in each. Although the researchers tout the new technology's ability to help couples at risk for sex-linked genetic diseases, the research will likely draw criticism from those people who view sex selection as unethical.

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1995, Council voted to construct a new municipal water plant. With the previous issuance of \$9 million in bonds, to be paid off in 2012, the notes were needed to fulfill the \$12 million total for construction of the plant.

Vura presented new ordinances referring to the annexation and zoning of several parcels of land near Burbank Road. Taken together, the ordinances would annex two areas of land owned by Chesterland Estates and re-zone one area to a C-5 (planned business) designation and another to a C-1 (office and institutional) designation.

According to attorney J. Douglas Drushal, the agent for Chesterland Estates, one area is currently agricultural land, possibly to be converted to residential within the next few years, and the other is intended for the construction of office buildings. Both the annexation and zoning ordinances are on their first reading.

Chemistry problems

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and Physical Chemistry in Scovel, the issue of adequate space is a concern. "Things are cramped but we're going to do fine," Pett said. Before the renovation, the chemistry department took stock of their materials in an attempt to save space. Items that were no longer needed were given to Wooster area schools, sold to distributors, or put to other uses.

The chemistry faculty continues to offer a full schedule of classes for students. The department has not been concerned about the renovation affecting the number of students interested in a chemistry major. In fact, Pett said, the number of students in the chemistry programs is about the same as last year. Last spring, the department suggested to members of the Class of '99 that they conduct their Independent Study laboratory research off-campus during the summer to alleviate at least some of the headaches this semester.

For students who are currently in chemistry or are looking to take classes next semester, the key is to have patience. "We're trying some new things," Pett said. "Not everything will work but many things will and I think the goal is worth it."

Author kicks off Forum



Noted author David Halberstam

PHOTO COURTESY OF NEWS SERVICES

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STAFF WRITER

Journalist, historian, and author David Halberstam will open the 1998 Wooster Forum series tonight at 7:30 p.m. in McGaw Chapel. His lecture entitled "Then and Now" is free and open to the public.

Halberstam attended Harvard and was editor of "The Crimson," the university's newspaper. After graduation he was first a reporter in the South, then in 1960 he joined "The New York Times" as a news journalist. Halberstam first earned fame for his unconventional reporting that the Vietnam War was being lost. For this reporting, he won a Pulitzer Prize in 1964, at age 30. In 1967 he left the "Times" and became a contributing editor to "Harper's" magazine until 1971. Since then, he has been a freelance writer of various books and articles.

Halberstam has gained distinction as an author as well as a historian. He has written over 15 works of nonfiction. "The Making of Quagmire," (1965) "Ho," (1971) and "The Best and the Brightest" (1972) all concern America's involvement in Vietnam. Other works by Halberstam include "The Powers That Be" (1979) which deals with

the rise of power in the media; "The Reckoning," (1986) about the ascent of Japan as an economic superpower; and "The Fifties" (1993) which addresses America's innocence in that decade.

Halberstam also writes about American sports. Some of these works include "The Breaks of the Game" (1981) and "October 1964" (1994). Halberstam is presently writing a book about basketball superstar Michael Jordan.

All nine of Halberstam's latest books have been best-sellers and "The Reckoning" was voted the Most Important Book of the Year by "The Wall Street Journal."

"The Children" (1998), the most recent book by Halberstam, deals with eight young civil rights activists in the South during the '60s.

There are many other Forum events occurring throughout the semester. All of the events have the common topic of "Educating Ourselves for the New Millennium" and will speak of education through the media, the arts, politics, and in formal settings. The next forum speaker, Robert Glenn Ketchum, will lecture on Sept. 24.

Compiled with information from News Services.

Tuesday, Sept. 15

Beginning at 6 p.m.

Dance Company Try-outs

Studio of Wishart Hall

Questions? Call Amanda x3441

Security changes shifts and pay rate

BRIAN J. McFILLLEN
STAFF WRITER

This year will witness some important restructuring and expanding of the campus security system.

As one of the first changes that Wooster's security force is undergoing, Armington Physical Education Center (P.E.C.) and Mateer Hall will now be fully patrolled by student officers hired by Campus Security. Formally, both the P.E.C. and Mateer were partly patrolled by students hired by the academic departments housed within the buildings. According to Director of Security Joe Kirk, this change was made not only to increase and standardize the level of security in both buildings, but in the case of the P.E.C., as a response against the number of thefts that occurred in the building last year. "Why should someone else be responsible for security?" Kirk said.

This year has also seen the addition of three student supervisors to Wooster's Security system. Kirk said, "They will be responsible for training any new student coming on, for overseeing the student as they work on their first shift and for writing an evaluation ... to me or to one of their senior officers on how the student is doing."

Kirk said, "One of the concerns and criticisms that I received when talking to the student population was that there are individuals [among the student officers] who aren't out there doing their thing and that we don't necessarily know what they're doing. A full-time officer cannot ...

really watch them as well as I would like and so ... the student supervisors ... would take on some of the responsibility of overseeing the student officers."

As a guide to help train future student supervisors and student officers, Kirk, with the help of two of this year's student supervisors, is preparing a Procedures Manual for student security personnel. About the manual, Kirk said, "My plan is by the end of this month there will be a full-fledged manual in place [which will] give any officer a standard that they have to live by ... All of them have been trained and know what they're doing, but I think it gives them something to be able to say 'Hey, this is what I'm told I'm allowed to do' and [make procedure] not so much of a judgment call." Once completed, the manual will be submitted to the Dean of Students and then to the Student Government Association's Security Committee.

There has also been a change in the arrangement of the work shifts of the student officers. Student officers will now work a single six-hour shift lasting from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m., instead of one of two four-hour shifts lasting from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. or from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

"We changed it this year for several reasons," Kirk said. "One is that we wanted to have students [on duty] more when they were being used, which generally starts around 7 p.m., after the dinner hour. That's when we found more use for our student officers, particularly as escorts ... We also had great deal of difficulty finding people for the 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. shift ... [And] it allows our

students to work through to lock-down time."

This change has drawn some controversy within security's ranks, however. Student security officer Caleb Heimlich '01 said of the shift change, "For me, with trying to maintain my grades and participate in sports and other activities, it's pretty inconvenient to have only one shift available that is six hours long, from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Those are prime study hours for me and for probably most of the College community."

Even more controversial is a decrease in pay among the student officers. "What it amounts to, in essence, for someone who hasn't worked for me for the past two years [and] who is not going to be a student supervisor ... is a 30¢ less pay rate per hour," Kirk said. "Here, on this campus, the pay rate for student officers was extremely high. In all honesty, it was one of the highest-rated positions. And not that I find it important, but I don't know that it needed to be the highest-rated position. It didn't seem adequate, particularly for a person who might be coming to work for me for their first year. Any [pay increase] would have put them right in line with any of my full-time dispatchers. It didn't seem to make sense to me ... Yes, it will somewhat hurt those that have been with us for a year or two. Many of them had the opportunity to apply for the student supervisor position, which would have kept their pay what it was, or a little more, because they were taking on additional responsibilities. Numerous [student officers] took the application, but really only five

A bird in the hand ...



Dove stolen ... again.

PHOTO BY DAVID HEISSERER

Last week, another dove disappeared from the statue "Girl With Doves" that stands outside the Ebert Art Center. According to Director of Security Joe Kirk, the first reports of the bird having been stolen came in last Tuesday.

Kirk said, "We don't have any leads on it yet. We've called in the city police again: one, because of the value of the bird and two, because it's a felony."

The last time the dove disappeared, a \$10,000 reward was offered for it, but it still was not discovered until it returned on its own. This is the "fourth incident involving the dove, and in some other cases it reappeared, or came back or was found somewhere else. I'm not sure what the fascination is," Kirk said.

BRIAN J. McFILLLEN

filled out the applications."

Sambit Basu '01, a former student officer who resigned in part over the decrease in pay and change in hours, said, "When we first joined security ... we were told that we were paid the extra amount because of the risks involved with the job. Because they lowered the pay, that means either that the risks have gone down, or they are being ... overly frugal with their budget matters."

Kirk said that 10 student officers

have announced that they are resigning, in part, over the pay cut and the change in shift times.

"I'm somewhat disappointed in the number of student officers who saw it as a pay cut, but I knew that was going to happen," he said. "I consider the student security officer job to be extremely important. I don't want the impression to be gotten across that I don't. It is vital to how we work in the department and how the College exists."

Program houses begin year with WVN training sessions

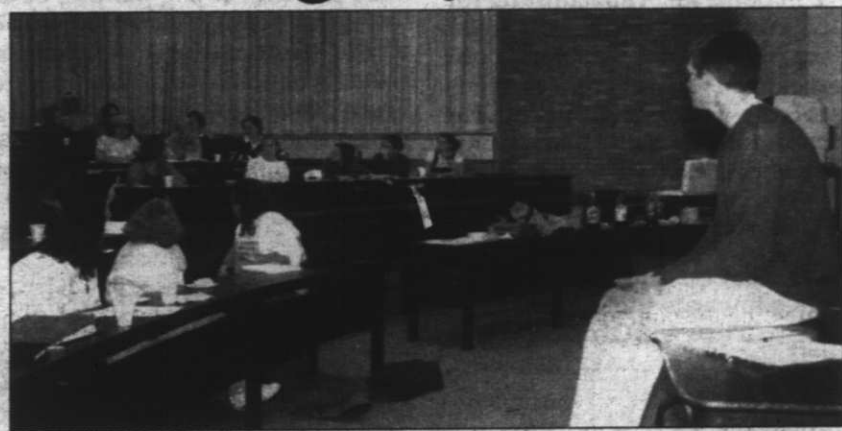
KATIE ORWIN
STAFF WRITER

The Wooster Volunteer Network is ready for another year of making a difference. This year there are 21 programs residing in small houses, nine of which are new. "It seems like an enthusiastic group," said Shannon Sonenstein '01, WVN's Program Coordinator. "All the individuals I've talked to are genuinely excited about their programs."

From re-training those with traumatic brain injuries to coaching flag football at the Y, the programs are enthusiastic and claim to be eager about the year ahead.

J. Marie Shannon '01, contact person for the Love is Ageless program of Culbertson House, explained that her group works with the Horn Nursing Home: "We paint the resident's nails, or help with their exercise group."

Sonenstein says getting to know Horn's elderly residents has been the biggest plus: "All of us agreed that



WVN training for program house volunteers

PHOTO BY AMELIA KAYS

the friendships we've made and the connections we've made, despite our large age difference, have been the best part of it."

The best part so far for Kristen Elkington '01, contact person of Safe House, has been the chance to help students. Working in Scot Cottage, the group hopes to educate the community about gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered lifestyles.

Elkington said, "We've already had students come to us who've had issues, which is a wonderful sign. We're kind of nervous, but optimistic." Safe House has no sponsoring local agency, which makes it a little different from other groups. "It's a program designed to educate people on campus and the community, to promote tolerance and to be a safe place. This is really an intolerant

place — the campus and the town. And it doesn't have to be. We feel that education is the key to preventing prejudice."

Kate Smanik '01 is the contact person for Lighthouse, a program working with Wayne County Alcoholism Services and living in Hart House. They babysit for the women at a halfway house when they attend AA meetings and also help with a lending library. "It's a really good feeling to be doing something for someone else," Smanik said. "When I babysat, the mother was so grateful and the kids were so wonderful — it made me feel good."

The men of Westminster House, volunteers for Goodwill Industries, claimed an equally good feeling. Cameron Bonner '01 said, "It's going to be a hell of a job, but I'm really looking forward to it." The Goodwill volunteers will be trained for 40 hours each, learning how to re-train people suffering from traumatic brain injuries. "They looked like they needed us," Bonner said. "Everyone else gave us the impres-

sion they could fit us in, but it seemed like there was a lot Goodwill wanted us to do."

The men of Miller Manor believe they have found a similar chance at the Orville/Dalton YMCA. "We're just going to do what they ask us to do," Shane Bartholomew '00, the house's contact person, explained. "We'll be coaching basketball, soccer, gymnastics ... They're also interested in having us supervise the junior high weight-lifting program and maybe start a flag football program."

Other coaches-in-training are the men of Iceman, volunteers for the Wooster Parks & Recreation department. "We have two guys coaching soccer this fall," explained Nate Bayer '00, the house's contact person. "We'll also be involved a good bit with the basketball leagues this winter. I'm excited about it. For me, the best part of volunteering is that you get to know the people in the community better than you would just living on campus. That's the best thing anyone can get out of it."

Student Government Association (SGA) 1998 Senate Election Preview

Campus-wide elections for the Student Government Association Senate will be held next Tuesday. Each candidate running for a seat was given the opportunity to submit a statement of purpose and their relevant experience (maximum 150 words). The balloting, administered by members of the SGA Cabinet, will take place in Lowry and Kittredge from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. and then from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Class of 1999

Jen Buckley '99

While serving as an SGA Senator and as Vice President for Student Affairs during the last two years, I celebrated many SGA successes, felt empowered to initiate real change and took great pride in the services provided to students. However, I am frustrated by the barriers to student action I have encountered, the feelings of powerlessness to enact reforms, and the disappointing lack of support for SGA caused by organizational and procedural problems. I want to build the trust and support SGA must have from the student body to remain credible. SGA must foster a strong relationship with other student service and student advocacy groups on campus. A coalition will increase participation and increase influence. The professional and diplomatic discussion of issues is welcomed by the administration, and should be pursued. Give me the opportunity to use what I have learned to make a difference.

Class of 2000

Katherine Varney '00

The reason I chose to run for the Senate is to have the opportunity to represent my classmates in issues they would like to see discussed or changed as a result of SGA. I have not been involved in SGA prior to this and feel I can bring a new outlook to the organization and hopefully make changes not only the junior class will benefit from but the entire campus community as well. I am open to ideas you may have and look forward to representing you this year.

After you vote for SGA Senators, make your voice heard in the real world. Ohio voters can now register by calling 1-800-753-VOTE.

Democracy in action



PHOTO BY BEN SPIELDENNER

Potential candidates at SGA's Monday information session.

Class of 2001

Joseph Davis '01

I am, undoubtedly, a sophomore. What you may not know is that I am a member of the Scot Pipe Band, an undeclared psychology major, and planning on going to medical school. I spent the summer here doing biology research. I recently joined Circle K and hopefully the Senate soon. In high school I was a class representative to student council, so I have some experience. I am running for Senate due to the large number of students who thought policies at The College of Wooster should be changed last year, and such policies are still unchanged this year. I hope to be able to get the student's voice expressed within the walls of the Student Government Association's Senate. Student policies should be made by students and supported by someone you can trust.

Elise Pilorget '01

I have enjoyed my experiences with SGA in the past, and hope to contribute my ideas and experience towards the greater good of the school. I hope to continue my experience with this organization.

Rayanne Hawkins '01

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world: indeed it's the only thing that ever has." - Margaret Mead. As a former student government representative, I possess the qualities and experience necessary to execute the responsibilities of this position with professionalism and dedication.

Christian Hunter '01

I feel I am qualified for this position not only from my experiences throughout high school on the student council, but also through my leadership at Wooster. I am currently involved in the radio station, Percussion Ensemble, and the Scot Band. I believe I can offer a lot to SGA as a senator and I feel that I would represent my class in an exciting and professional manner.

Class of 2002

Dan Dean '02

As a member of student government in high school, I feel that I can apply my experience as a student representative in SGA. I look for SGA to be a challenge, as I hope to incorporate as many of the student wants into college policy as possible. I also look to SGA as a positive and rewarding experience in student politics.

Elizabeth Kriynovich '02

I feel that I am well qualified for a position in the Senate, having been a member of my high school student council for four years. I was the student council president my senior year, and secretary my junior year. As president, I developed a convocation program to promote better communication among students and between students and faculty. I would like to keep an open communication between the people of this campus, and as a representative I would work to see that the needs and issues of the first year class are addressed.

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES

The following students informed the Voice that they were write-in candidates for the Senate. In the interest of expanding political participation, we print their statements here.

Courtney White '01

SGA is a tool of the people, of the students, and not of the select few. Last year, SGA compromised its role as a protector and agent of the students by accepting doctored and skewed election results rather than fulfilling its obligation of searching for the truth. From New York City, I helped to orchestrate the petition campaign that forced SGA to reconsider its unfair election practices, ensuring a justly elected and legitimate SGA Cabinet this year.

Alex Reed '01

Last year SGA accepted mediocrity. The elections were disgraceful and were thankfully reheld, thanks to the petitions and persistence of a select few, of which I was one. Lack of organization, lack of contact with the student body, and lack of devoted well-meaning senators are things for which I will not stand. I intend to keep the organization as non-bureaucratic as possible, as in-touch as it can be, and more honest with themselves and the campus. I will not quietly sit by while others accept compromise of principles. People who allow their ideals to be undermined have no place representing you.

The following candidates were contacted by the Voice but did not submit a statement.

John Pollack '99

Estella Anku '02

Daren Batke '02

Antonia Cassarino '01

Marcie Kasek '01

Erik McLaughlin '01

If Chicken Little told you ...

Some people on campus like their dorm rooms. They enjoy coming home from class and relaxing, avoiding the bugs that have hounded them all afternoon. However, when you get there, you realize that your room may not be such a pretty sight.

The mosquitos you thought you left behind have invaded your room. The broken screen for your window hasn't done much to keep the little critters at bay. And as you dance around your room swatting flies, you realize that the large crack in your ceiling is starting to leak. Well, at least the bees don't like moisture. However, neither does your computer.

Some of these little maintenance problems across campus are not so little anymore. A lot of these repairs need to be dealt with immediately. The only problem is, after putting in your work order, it usually takes about two weeks for any response to be given. Housing needs to realize that there is a difference between a squeaky door and a missing front door. So as you continue to kill larva and grab another bucket to catch the water falling from your ceiling, step back and think.

If you set your tent up in the quad, the roof won't leak, you can close all the windows, and you can even spray the whole thing with Off. Even if the College tells Maintenance to move you off the Quad, it will probably take a couple of weeks for them to accomplish that too.

A secure feeling on campus?

If all of the maintenance staff on campus started buddying up with the students, people would start to wonder what was going on. If the departmental secretaries strolled up and down Beall Avenue hand in hand with their significant others, we would at least wonder why they weren't trying to escape the workplace. Surely someone would raise an eyebrow if Lowry workers began showing up at parties.

How is it then, that no one objects to the strange buddy-buddy relationships that form between students and security officers? The professional officers leave Mom's with college females in tow, more often than their student officer counterparts, and it seems like an odd phenomenon. Sure, these are the people who walk students home at night, but they're also the people who bust students when they're stumbling down Beall with open containers.

The obvious taboo of "amorous relationships which might be appropriate in other circumstances" outlined in all of the College's policy manuals does not and cannot prohibit friendships, but these security-student relationships still seem to be at odds with the broader concept of professional conduct.

Letters: Couches and other aesthetics

I am writing this letter while sitting on the floor. I am sitting on the floor because I have no couch. I have no couch because SGA Large Storage failed to materialize in the Holden parking lot Sunday afternoon as promised.

I understand that mistakes happen. But I have to say I am really tired of the half-assed job SGA does every year with summer storage. The last two years were bad and it seems to be getting worse. With two days prior notification

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and threats of "trashing" unclaimed student property SGA gives the entire campus (all 1700 of us) one half-hour to get our stuff in and out of small storage (only Holden basement). This Sunday the aborted large storage drop off would have occurred at only two places: Holden and Douglass parking lots. What gives?

SGA needs to be more organized and flexible with storage. Is this too much to ask? Is it such an inconvenience for SGA members to hang out at small storage for an hour or two. I mean, as our elected representatives what else are they doing? As for large storage (heavy, hard to carry things like lofts and furniture) maybe SGA should remember a few things like Kenarden, Andrews, Compton, Luce, and every small house. If we don't have a truck or able bodied friends what exactly are we supposed to do fearless leaders? Move the TV out to the parking lot and watch the game there?

SGA should realize that this may be the only time many of their constituents give a flip about what the Student Government Association

does. Maybe our little politicians in training need to think of this as an opportunity to impress the campus with their organizational skills and concern for students' needs instead of annually allowing it to become a carnival of incompetence.

By the way, lots of other student groups got their organizations up and running just fine by the first week of classes.

Karl, as the elected president of SGA you are ultimately responsible. Be a leader and get SGA in shape.

I hear I might be able to get my couch this Wednesday.

Matt Carpenter '99

Dear Editor,

The first time I walked up the stairs into the main hall of our new library, I was amazed. Three other students were also experiencing Wooster's latest architectural marvel and the walked around in impressed silence for several moments before beginning to whisper its praises. Beauty and impressiveness aside, what is the purpose of a library? Even in this age of expanding information, of computers and the web, a library's primary purpose is to house information so that people might access it.

The focus of a library building then, is and should be on the information, not the house. If a visitor to that house, upon selecting a book to read, is focused more on the beauty of the furniture and of the softness of the cushion below, is the library accomplishing its purpose?

Furthermore, is this library to be a showpiece or a study hall? With the construction of two ostentatious-looking buildings in the past year (Ebert landed on the quad last fall), the College is revealing what its true priori-

ties are: to impress you and prospective students with looks and appearance, while regarding the academic purpose of our buildings as a second thought.

Granted, money used for the renovation of Frick came not from our tuition, but from alums who wished it to be used for that purpose, or at least didn't really care where it went.

Those of us who plan on graduating in the next few years should think about how this school spends its money, and seriously question whether our future earnings should go back to a school more concerned with the greenness of its grass than with the scholarship of its students.

For many of us, it will be quite some time before our degrees begin to pay off, but no doubt the alumni office will be in contact with this year's graduating class before too long.

Nothing encourages frugal thinking like being broke. Help the administration think like a student, to take a hard look at priorities of

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spending, and realize that the student that should be at Wooster can study regardless of the beauty of their surroundings.

Seniors, when we begin to receive letters from the alumni office in the years ahead, write back and ask them if your contribution will be used to impress impressionable high school seniors, or if it will encourage and attract a student body diverse and dedicated to their education without regard to the beauty of the campus.

Eric Bakken '99

Library needs to organize systems

The Independent Study is touted as the experience which will make us, shall we say, "amateur experts" on a particular research topic. I guess I have always focused on that word "research," which implies card catalogs, internet and microfiche searches, paper cuts from months and months of journals and lots of reading. The Wooster campus community has been blessed with a beautiful and fairly extensive library system. It appears to be fully staffed and administrators are always on hand; however, our library is frequently inefficient and unorganized and staffers are often unable to answer questions. "Check shelves" has come to mean, more often than not, "your book is lost in someone's I.S. carrel." A simple request for directions to sec-

tion "Q" is a one-way trip to the Circulation Desk ending in frustration. I have heard several students complain about fines for books they returned, but which the library "lost." One friend currently has a \$256 fine on books he returned well before the end of the year. My own experience was a mysterious fine incurred sometime last fall during Junior I.S. which plagued me through three semesters of bickering and two complete payments. The fine repeatedly appeared. Finally, upon returning this fall to begin Senior I.S. and discovering I was unable to check out books, the fine was removed because "it just hadn't been removed yet." There are all sorts of trials and tribulations associated with the I.S. process, but our library should not be a stumbling block. The library

is not completely inept, but my research successes have resulted from long wasted hours of frustration and sometimes tears. I must add that, from my experience, all the staff members are very helpful and polite. Yet when it comes to I.S., students need efficient and organized assistance. A smile helps, but I feel it is very important for all library workers to know where materials are located, how to access various kinds of resources, and how to search for information. Perhaps the library needs to train workers more extensively or provide classes and tours for interested students. The end result should be fewer errors with fines and record-keeping and easier days and nights of research.

Nicole Dodds '99

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USA: A lesson from our elders

Stupid is as stupid does; federal government is no exception

DAVID LOHR

Good news, Wooster! American kids are getting more stupider. According to an article in last Saturday's "Daily Record," plans are underway for a new Constitution museum in Philadelphia to help young Americans learn more about U.S. history.

Some interesting facts —

- Close to 90 percent of American teens can name the star of "Home Improvement" (Tim Allen), while less than 33 percent can name the Speaker of the House (Newt Gingrich).

- Under 12 percent of American teens know where Abraham Lincoln was born, while 74 percent know where Bart Simpson lives.

- Twenty-five percent know what the Fifth Amendment protects, while 64 percent know what The Club protects.

The list goes on. There is no doubt that kids know about pop culture, for they are exposed to it in almost every aspect of their daily lives, but they know very little about the stuff they're supposed to be learning in school. A number of college students I spoke to also felt out of touch with the outside world. This is partly their fault, because they could spend an afternoon reading a newspaper rather than playing video games. Maybe we should all turn off Jerry Springer in the afternoon and watch the news. It would still fulfill our primal urge for sex and violence, and we may learn something too. Flip on CNN instead ... wait a minute ... we don't have

cable like the rest of the civilized world does, and we're all lost without our televisions.

The "My Kid Beat Up Your Honor Student" mentality of Americans is laughed at worldwide. Even on shows such as "South Park" (just to keep this article at a mature level) the American stereotype is made fun

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of, in part because it's true. Ahh, those big, fat, lazy, fast-food-munching, stupid Americans. I'll put it on my credit card. Let's go bomb something.

It is a well known fact that American youth spend the least amount of time in school out of all the developed nations, yet talk of changing the school schedule is met by the angry cries of parents and children alike. Few other countries have a summer-long vacation. It is quite common that a foreign child's English is much better than an American child's foreign language of choice. Children in Europe start learning to speak English while they are in elementary school and are often speaking nearly flawless English by the time they reach college. Bilingualism is an enormous advan-

tage in the international job market, and American children are quickly falling behind. Inner city schools often lack the resources necessary for teaching, from books to objects as simple as paper and pencils. For a nation which believes itself to be number one in the world, our education system is pathetic.

With the disgustingly large deficit the government faces, the next logical question would be why are they building a \$130 million museum? Where is the money coming from? I can only hope it's not coming from the 15 percent of my paycheck the government takes every month.

Another important question is raised by the prospect of a new museum. Is it going to be accessible to those it is designed to reach? Who do they think is going to visit the museum? Most people who go to museums have some sort of interest in the topic beforehand. Some country bumpkin living in the middle of the Ozarks who thinks the South should secede isn't going to suddenly say "Hey! A new museum! I want to go learn about Abraham Lincoln!"

It would make more sense to put the money towards either real education (schools) or lobotomies for the truly dumb. But no, we ingenious Americans build a museum. It looks good on paper. It makes us feel good to say hey, we have a museum to help children learn. Will it actually help kids figure out how to find the United States on a map? No.

But it doesn't matter: I'm an American. I'm going to take over the world.

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"A" is for apathy

Campus community and SGA to blame for disastrous election

JAMIE MAPES

Sad. That's how I felt when the list of people running for SGA Senate appeared in my hands. I'm sure the 14 people running for the 21 open seats will do a good job, but they just don't have any experience.

And experience is necessary. SGA may seem to be a fairly useless organization, but they do have some power to make our lives better. Students rely on their government for storage over the summer. During the school year campus members also flock to SGA for airport bussing and even occasionally look at the ride board.

All those things make the campus just a slightly happier place to be. The problem is, we need experienced SGA members to make those things work. Last week's storage travesty is just one example of what happens when the inexperienced take control. This year's director of Special Services and Special Projects, the position in charge of storage, was not on SGA last year; in fact, she won after a write-in campaign during the second spring election.

How can someone who has never even helped with storage be expected to organize it? It is simply ridiculous, and it leaves students with a bad taste in their mouth before SGA has even held their first meeting.

The list of candidates is also sad because it is missing so many of the old guard (the people who were on SGA for more than resume fodder, the people who actually thought they could make a difference). What's going to happen without them? Those who actually understood Roberts Rules and could use them effectively are gone. These people had actually read the SGA Constitution and knew it took a three-fourth majority, not two-thirds, to pass a certain type of bill. They've gotten sick of the idiocy and have joined other organizations.

Never fear, though, there are people willing to take their places.

The only problem is, they're all friends. Filling SGA seats has become a matter of political cronyism; it's not a diverse group but a small minority of the campus attempting to represent people they don't even know. If we wanted to be ruled by one group, we could appoint an oligarchy, but we haven't yet. SGA shouldn't try to start one itself.

But hey, at least they're running and willing to give up an hour of their time every Wednesday. The rest of the campus isn't even willing to do that, but I bet they will be ready and willing to whine when something doesn't get done. What I find most disturbing about the whole candidate list is the fact only three of the 14 people on it have been on this campus for more than a year. The majority of the Senate, the group that supposedly represents the whole campus, is going to be younger than the student body.

That worries me. It worries me a lot, in fact. Is this campus really that apathetic? While we may mock SGA, we do have to acknowledge they have opportunities to use a small amount of power. They have a direct line to administrators and have been known to make some small changes. Do we really want to risk that power, no matter how minuscule, getting in the hands of people who have yet to experience I.S. and could care less about library hours? I think not.

Last year it may have been funny that no seniors ran, but this year it's just sad. I'm disappointed in my own class and in the one above me. The spring election debacle proved that people did care, but all interest seems to be gone now. What happened to the 192 people who signed the petition for a new election? That should have been the beginning. If SGA is going to become a worthwhile campus organization it needs new life. People on this campus need to become interested again. Otherwise we might as well live in an oligarchy.

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Great Scot Band



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For a majority of Wooster's staff and students, the highlight of the weekend was the fighting Scot's football victory over Grove City. But for the Scot Band, this was no ordinary Saturday. Rather, it was their moment in the spotlight.

Fox Sports Network, which has grown in popularity since its recent beginning, has chosen the Scot Band for one of its regular segments, titled "The Slant." The segment will show various brief shots of the band and member interviews. Fox Sports Network hopes to highlight the history and color behind the Marching Scots, as well as the College as a whole.

KATIE HUBER

The Yetis get crazy on campus

MOLLY MCKINNEY
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STAFF WRITERS

Take talent, add a little craziness and a whole lot of noise, and what have you got? The Yetis. With songs named "Burst of Fish" and "Congress," who wouldn't be interested in finding out more about this eccentric group of people?

You might have seen them at last year's "Bands in the Basement" in Douglass, or possibly last Sunday during church services at McGaw. The Yetis are an Irish folk band composed of Christine Anderson '99 on violin and mandolin, Kevin Himes '00 on percussion, Jeffrey Mansell '01 on guitar and Liz Myers '99 on whistles. The group has its origins in Pete Anderson's '97 I.S. play "Druid Stones." Both Himes and Christine Anderson were in the I.S.'s musical pit, and Himes jokingly named the pit orchestra "The Yetis."

Himes explains the name's origin: "Yeti is the ethnic name for the Abominable Snowman and can be likened to the word 'Sasquatch' for 'Bigfoot.' I always wanted to be in a band called 'The Yetis,' and when the pit seriously took on the name, I was kind of disappointed because

I wanted to save it for my own band. But it all worked out great!"

In the first semester together, the little-known Yetis had two or three gigs and played with another campus band, "Mortal Wombat." Then last spring, Christine Anderson returned from a semester in London and wanted to reform the band. Himes agreed, albeit a bit skeptically, since he and Anderson were the only two members of the band left at Wooster. But after recruiting Mansell and Myers, the Yetis were met with a "super response," according to Himes, and subsequently became more popular than ever.

Himes, also known as "Spaghetti Yeti," is a piano performance major and plays percussion in the Scot marching band. He describes the Yetis as "fun, perpetual, buoyant, flabbergasting, and aardvark. I think this band is so ass!" Anderson, the other original member of the group, also known as "Betty Yeti," is a history major/music minor and has played the violin for sixteen years. She says, "The Yetis are like a family, and all pretty much insane."

Myers, known as "Tibetti Yeti," joined the group second semester of last year. She is a geology major and plays the bagpipes with the Scot

band. Myers enjoys the Yetis, saying, "It's really fun. We have a good time." Mansell, or "Persichetti Yeti," joined the group at the same time as Myers. He is a possible music theory major and plays trumpet in the Scot band and string bass in the Wooster Jazz Ensemble. Mansell says, "Playing with the Yetis is a religious experience."

In their first gig of the year, the Yetis played at the Party on the Patio at Lowry last weekend. This past August, the band took a road trip to Anderson's house in Springfield, Ill., and recording ten of their songs plus a "secret track." The album, "Four Score and a Burst of Fish," will be released to the public on cassette sometime this month for the low price of four dollars.

Jamie Jo Williamson '00, a member of the "Druid Stones" cast, said, "I remember the day the Yetis were born. I'm glad they stayed together and found new members as talented as the original ones."

Next chance to catch the Yetis is Saturday, Sept. 26 at Mom's Truck Stop, where they will perform as part of the Student Spotlight Showcase. But keep your eyes open for more concerts, because the Yetis are a band on the rise.



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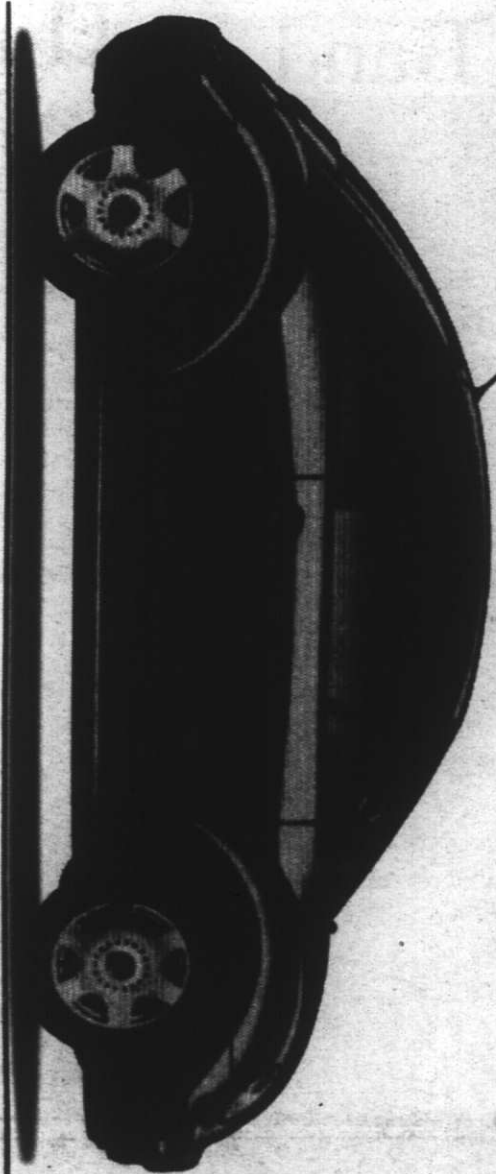
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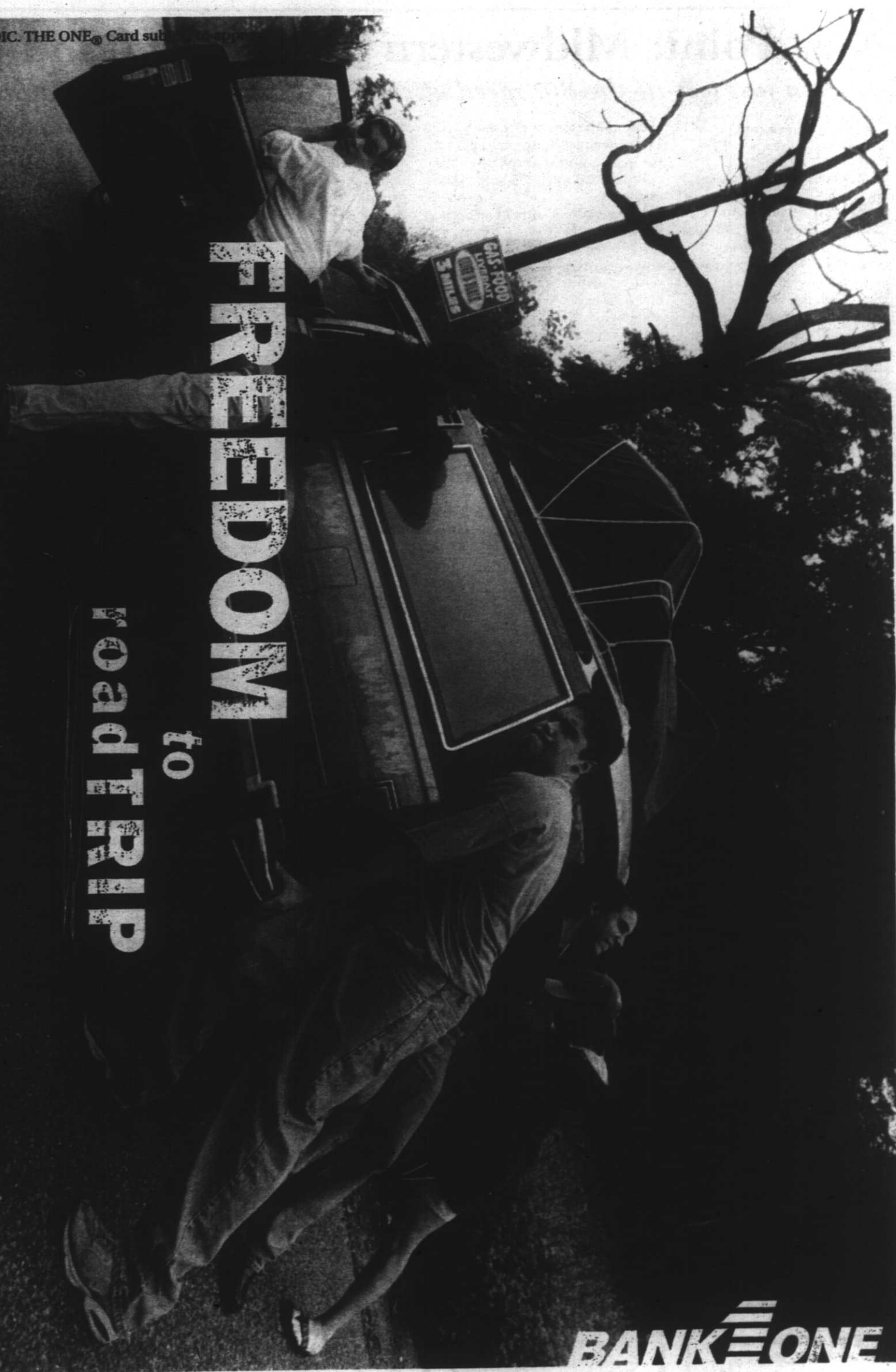
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Cedar Point: Midwestern Mecca for (kind of) cheap thrills

More than just lost-in-the-80s speed aficionados, park offers adrenaline and polyester for all

LAUREN KULCHAWIK
A&E Co-Editor

"The Magnum is better than sex!" announced Kat Randall '01, one of my companions on our trip to Cedar Point Amusement Park. We had a thrilling day, to say the least.

It all started at 7 a.m. last Sunday morning when the alarm went off. I staggered into Rachel's room and said, "Tell me again why we're getting up this early after I was up until 6 a.m. last night?"

We decided that Cedar Point's 12 roller coasters would wake us up once we got there.

Seeing as Kat, Angie, Rachel and I are four very broke college girls trying to save up for essential expenses like Rusted Root and Baccanalia, we made it our goal to pay for nothing more than our admission tickets at Cedar Point.

With a backpack full of pop-tarts and bagels compliments of Lowry, we arrived two hours later in Sandusky, location of the filming of "Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure" and "Tommy Boy." Sandusky is as much of a cultural mecca as Wooster—there's a K-Mart, a Lowe's and even a Fazoli's.

Unfortunately, we picked the hottest, most crowded day of the year: 90 degrees on Labor Day weekend. Whoops.

The lines at Cedar Point are torture. You move a few inches every five minutes, staring at the same nasty people that shuffle past you in the maze. There's the trapped-in-the-80s lady with orange nail polish and a big plastic gold belt, the motorcycle daddy wearing the wife beater and stroking his long, slimy hair, and the shirtless 12-year-old punks trying to show off the chests they don't have.

The worst part is, they all seem to follow you from ride to ride. I kept seeing this girl wearing a "Backstreet Boys" T-shirt and a matching necklace. Maybe she thought that one of the "Backstreet Boys" would be chilling in Sandusky and might miraculously wind up sitting next to her on The Raptor.

My other complaint besides the freak-show people is the lack of

shade in the lines. For the \$31.95 I borrowed from Angie to get into the park, you'd think that they could afford to rig up some shade canopies.

I went ballistic after I had been in the line for the Raptor for an hour and a half, with another half hour to go, and all four water bottle machines were sold out. If they're going to charge \$2 for water, they can at least keep the machines stocked so people don't pass out from heat stroke.

The Raptor was, however, my favorite ride at Cedar Point. I was so giddy afterwards that I almost forgot that I had suffered through two hours of hell just to ride it. The Raptor

suspends its passengers beneath the track so that their feet are dangling in the wind.

According to the Cedar Point website, "Raptor is one of the tallest, fastest and steepest inverted coasters in the world. It features a 'cobra roll' ... that flips passengers over, spirals them upside down into a 180-degree roll and repeats the twisting movement in the reverse order."

Then we headed to the Mantis, a \$12 million dollar investment by Cedar Point. Mantis requires that you are half standing, half sitting on a bicycle seat, which scares away some of the men. This made the line shorter, which was a plus.

Also, the background music in the Mantis line made it bearable. The other lines lacked music—it was so quiet that one guy overheard us talking about going out for Mexican food later, and he jumped right into

the conversation to tell us where the Chi Chi's is located off Route 4. Before the Mantis, Kat, Angie, Rachel and I sang with all the lyrics to "My Sharona," providing entertainment for the other bored individuals.

Barb informed me that once you are stationed at a ride, you work at that ride for most of the summer. She used to be The Corkscrew Girl, but then she got restationed.

"I can usually tell by the looks on

physical strain the best. We work May through October," said Barb. "The perks are unlimited use of rides, plus weekly paychecks. That would be about it for perks."

By then it was getting to be 7 p.m. and we wanted to leave by 9 p.m., so we chose two more rides—the Gemini and the Magnum XL-200.

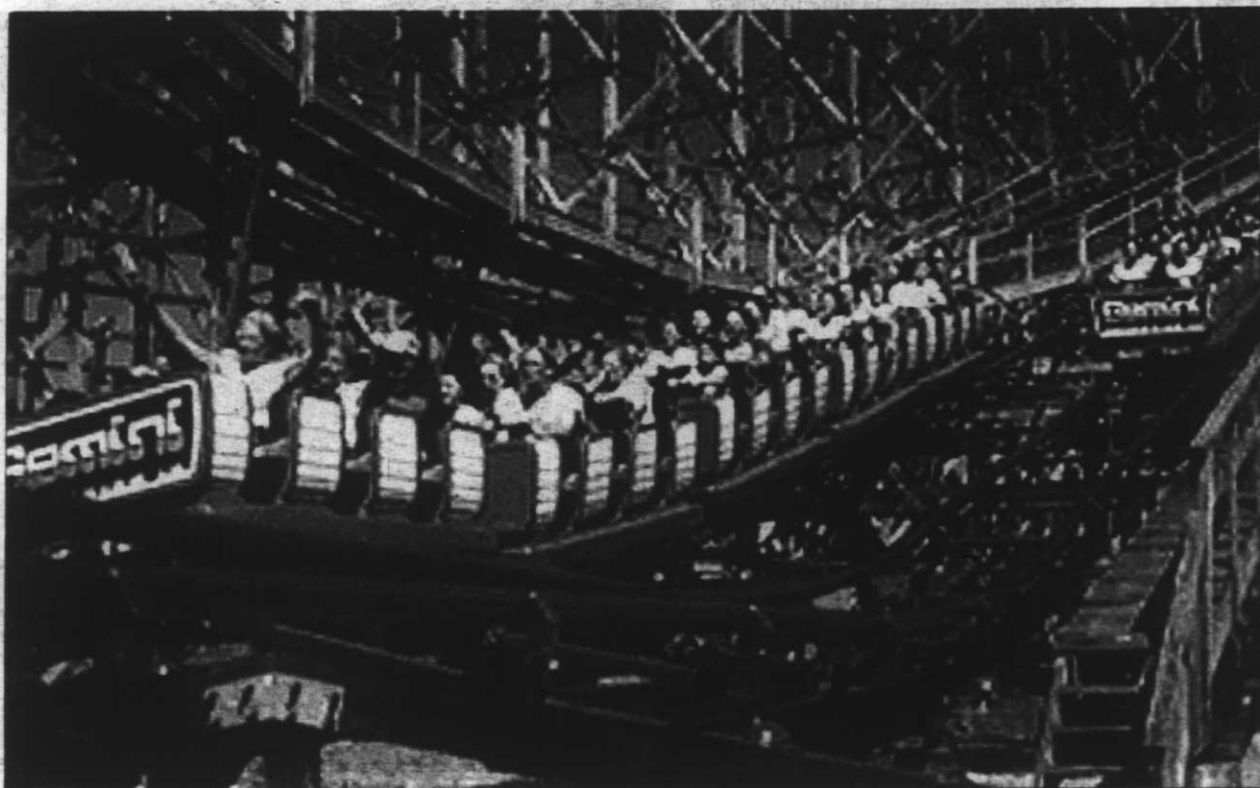
Gemini is entertaining because two cars ride side-by-side, racing each other. I did not swear on this ride, which was a first.

The Magnum was the ultimate way to end the experience. At the top of the 200-foot hill, the view is amazing at night. I'll never forget the way the lights of the park reflected off of the lake while we were eye-level with the full moon. The ride is the smoothest in the park, plus the coaster speeds through long dark

tunnels that have no end in sight. It was tantric.

On the way home, we stopped at a warped Pizza Hut. It was "buffet style," which means no waitresses and 10 people grabbing for the one tray of pizza on the buffet. The women's bathroom had no doors on the stalls. Plus the divider between stalls was so small that you could have an intimate, face-to-face conversation with the chick next to you.

SAB is sponsoring a trip this weekend for \$18 to go Cedar Point, the oldest theme park in America. So, if your significant other isn't satisfying you, roller coasters will do the trick.



The Gemini is Cedar Point's dual wooden roller coaster.

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Next, we insisted on waiting for a water ride. By then, we were so sweaty and crazed that we were starting to look like the carnies that we were making fun of. Snake River Falls drenched us with a giant splash, plus we stood on the bridge afterwards to get soaked about five more times. "I've never been this wet with my clothes on!" said Rachel Huehls '01.

After we waited a half hour for a tub of greasy fries, my friends dragged me on the Mean Streak, a wooden roller coaster that made me think I was going to die. I screamed every existing profanity for the entire two minutes and 45 seconds. I probably taught the little boy in front of me some fun new words.

In order to delay riding that evil thing, I decided to chat with Barb, a college-aged employee stationed at the entrance to the Mean Streak.

people's faces whether or not they are going to chicken out and turn around. It's about 30 percent that changes their mind," said Barb.

Barb wore a royal blue jumpsuit with red trim and a red Boy Scout tie around her neck. The one-piece (shorts and shirt attached) zips up the front, which she said "is a major pain when you have to use the bathroom. These things are disgusting."

These uniforms have been the same since the 1970s, and they sure look it.

"They mostly hire college students here, since we're more alert, supposedly. We can handle the

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DAN AYER
STAFF WRITER

Folk songs by songwriters like Woody Guthrie provide a foundation for many of today's musical styles and inspiration for numerous musicians since, including that of modern British folk singer/songwriter Billy Bragg and the American folk rock band Wilco.

In fact, "Mermaid Avenue," the title of this collaborative album, is also the name of the street in Coney Island, Brooklyn, where Guthrie and his family lived in the late 1940s and early '50s. While his recording career had already ended, Guthrie continued writing hundreds of lyrics from his Mermaid Avenue home.

Just this year, Billy Bragg and Wilco wrote music to accompany 15 of these songs, thus creating this album, described by Bragg as "not a tribute album but a collaboration between Woody Guthrie and a new generation of songwriters."

Mermaid Avenue is a phenomenal album. It is an eclectic mix of songs which encompass love, his country, and himself. Each song also has a different musical character, ranging from very bright to much more stark and subdued melodies.

The music to each track complements its lyrics extremely well, and is reminiscent of the type of music Guthrie would have written. Guest vocalist Natalie Merchant and guitarist Corey Harris contribute additional character to the album. Merchant provides backup vocals to Bragg on the song "Way Over Yon-

der in the Minor Key," a beautiful ballad about Guthrie's childhood experiences. She also sings on "Birds and Ships" accompanied only by Bragg's acoustic guitar, which enhances the lonesome mood of this song.

One of the most powerful songs on the album is "At My Window Sad and Lonely," a moving tune in which Guthrie reflects upon a love who has left him behind, yet whom he prom-

ises to love whatever the circumstances. "Hoodoo Voodoo" is a nonsensical song which Guthrie

probably wrote for his children. "Christ for President" is a satirical, political tune with music highlighted by Bragg's National guitar and banjo played by Jay Bennett, a member of Wilco.

Then there is the song "Ingrid Bergman," in which Guthrie fantasizes about making love to Ingrid Bergman on the side of a volcano. Guthrie's political views also appear in "She Came Along to Me," in which he expresses his belief the equality of women and his dislike for fascists.

"Hesitating Beauty" is a typical love song like others of Guthrie's time, and "One By One" is a sad tune about how fast life can fade away. This somber and moving song incorporates spectacular vocals by Wilco's Jeff Tweedy.

Everyone, no matter what their musical tastes, can appreciate this dynamic album. Even if you're not into folk music or any of its variations, you may discover something new to enjoy in "Mermaid Avenue."

Billy Bragg and Wilco
"Mermaid Avenue"



JAMES KOLLER
BUSINESS MANAGER

There are a few movies that should be seen by all, but only when they are ready. Sort of a G with an asterisk. "Saving Private Ryan" is not a movie for the faint of heart or for those without the knowledge of its historical context. But its importance, both historical and societal, will grow the more time that passes.

"Saving Private Ryan" is heralded as one of the most realistic, poignant war films of all time, a billing that it certainly deserves. Its portrayal of the Normandy invasion by Allied troops and the war in which it was fought gives an excellent portrait of the reality of war as experienced by humans, not drawn up by strategists.

Matt Damon (Good Will Hunting) is the title character in Steven Spielberg's latest gut-check film that presents history in a way that only Spielberg can. Ryan is ordered released from active duty to return home to be with his mother (Kathleen Bryon) when it is learned that all three of his brothers died during the invasion.

Tom Hanks, however, is the focal character, starring as Captain John Miller, who is ordered to head the squad to seek out Ryan and send him home to comfort his mother.

The opening battle scene of the Allied invasion on the beaches is done with bone-chilling details.

The typical American war movie portrays the "good" guys as brave and fearless. However, minutes before they land, soldiers are seen nauseatingly sick and praying the rosary. Allied troops were lined up for a firing squad for the waiting Germans.

Spielberg spares no effort to show the result of uphill obstacles mixed with survival instinct. At one point, a soldier is shown to have an arm severed, yet picks it up with his other arm and trudges on to the attack.

What made this scene so memorable was the detail and excellent directing. The camera is not steady, but rather could be mistaken for being on the helmet of someone in battle.

The picture was often out of focus and constantly moving, as if a soldier was surveying the scene as he jockeyed for the next bunker to buy a few seconds' reprieve.

The lack of dialogue is not inappropriate; words would be unnecessary. Instead of pushing the viewer to focus on who is saying what, the visual splendor of the attack is strong enough to make viewers squirm in their seats.

"Ryan" is not as clean or glorified as is "Apocalypse Now." Indeed, internal dissension is a strong focal point of the middle of the film, as Miller's crew openly questions the purpose of the mission. His eight-man squad is reduced by two on a journey that was

is filled with wild goose chases (at one point telling the wrong Pvt. Ryan that his brothers were dead) and deathtraps. Pvt. Reiben (Edward Burns) even tries to leave the squad in protest of Miller's sparing of a German prisoner. Only when Miller reveals that he is a high school teacher who teaches boys the same age as those he kills does Reiben soften and return.

Skeptics will claim the movie is too gruesome and that with any director other than Spielberg, it would have landed an NC-17 rating from the Motion Picture Association. In an interview with Entertainment Weekly, Hanks answered this by saying, "Is it gruesome? It is gruesome because war is." It is exactly this in-your-face explicit view of war that makes "Ryan" what it is.

Hanks plays the character of Miller in a way only he can. Aloof, yet respected as the squad leader, Hanks has a way of making something as gravely surreal as war a summer blockbuster. Any other actor/director tandem than Hanks/Spielberg would have been accused of using death and destruction to pad their pockets. But don't be shocked if Hanks takes home his third Oscar in March.

Corporal Upham (Jeremy Davies) is perhaps the most intriguing character of the film. Upham was sent on the mission solely for his fluency in French and German, despite not having fired a gun since basic training. During the final battle to ward off the Germans and ensure Ryan's safety, Upham is frozen with fear as Germans walk right past him. Not until the end does he finally use his gun after many men died under his nose. Upham is everyman. What would we do in his circumstance with minimal training? Though overdone and annoying, the point is well made.

The only complaint with "Saving Private Ryan" would be that it negates the Allied influence at the expense of glorifying the United States. Granted, the United States was the major influence in 1944's raid on Europe and, without its influence, it is likely that the rest of Europe would have fallen. But aside from token references to the French and other Allies, it is portrayed as the United States versus Germany.

"Ryan" should not be confused with a documentary, as it is easily done. This was one facet of a war that took the lives of millions of people. But, if nothing else, "Ryan" gives the viewer a glimpse of what it looked like and how it felt to live it.

The adage that this is a "must-see" film is beaten to death in Hollywood, but this is one movie that truly is a must see for anyone who wants to better understand the largest war in world history.

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Lord of Lowry Center: Steve Plant reflects on his job

A career dealing with frantic students, burned out lightbulbs and pesky cigarette butts



PHOTO BY BEN SPIELDENNER

Steve Plant drills a new attitude into Lowry Center

JON RAESSLER
STAFF WRITER

His smiling, jovial presence can be found every day in Lowry Center. He is responsible for setting up all of the rooms in Lowry Center that host various meetings or conferences, and he is also in charge of maintaining the machines that clear and replace bowling pins in Scot Lanes. The man who manages this hectic schedule is Steve Plant, maintenance supervisor of Lowry Center.

Plant's employment at the College

began in April of 1991. Prior to Wooster, Plant had worked at Akron Brass, a factory that manufactures fire fighting equipment. According to Plant, his responsibilities have been expanding since he took

Campus Faces

the position. "I would say that the biggest expansion has been my taking charge of the bowling machines.

Each one of those things has over 5200 parts and there is one behind every lane."

In order to be qualified to service the machines, Plant had to travel to the Brunswick Co. in Michigan and take part in a three week course that was solely for bowling machine maintenance. "It was just like school again," says Plant. "Eight hours a day of class and studying. I enjoyed it, though."

A typical day for Plant includes his arrival at Lowry Center at 10 a.m. During the course of the day, he will organize rooms in Lowry for up to thirty different events, or perform simpler tasks such as replacing light bulbs.

His day usually ends at 7 p.m., though with bigger events like Party on the Green or Winter Gala, he will stay late or come in on off days to be of assistance.

He works closely with the scheduling office, which is responsible for designating rooms for various meetings. He is the person who will make sure the room is properly set up at the right time and who will

double check the schedule in case any meetings overlap or are scheduled at the same time in the same room.

"What we want to do is be as accommodating as possible, to have a meeting room exactly as the group needs or wants it," Plant says.

He has said that he and those he works with closely are pushing to be even more accommodating to student needs: "If, at the last second, someone realizes they need an overhead projector or audio equip-

The goal, according to Plant, is for Lowry to become as student-friendly as possible. "It's easier to say no than to find a reason to say yes," says Plant, "Our mission is to never say no."

ment, we want them to feel comfortable in coming to ask us for it." The goal, according to Plant, is for Lowry to become as student-friendly as possible.

"It's easier to say no than to find a reason to say yes," says Plant, "Our mission is to never say no."

Plant constantly stresses placing the student first while doing his job: "The students are the reason we're employed, the reason why I'm here in Lowry Center. That's why it is so important that we keep them happy and their needs met."

Is there anything Plant would like to see changed? "I would really like to see an elevator installed that is

easily accessible to the public, for those handicapped people who need it," he said. In addition to this, Plant wants to take the student's interest in installing cable and take it one step further by placing a satellite dish on top of Lowry.

Plant says there are negative aspects to his job, one of which is watching the seniors graduate. "You develop a friendship with some of your crew and when they leave and go on their way, it's hard." He does maintain contact with many of them and has received visits by some of them as well.

Two other negative aspects of

Plant's position are more pet peeves than real complaints about the job. He says, "I can't stand it when people who aren't handicapped park in the handicapped spot, and I also can't stand cigarette butts being thrown on the ground."

"All in all though, I'm very happy where I am. I look forward to work every day and I'm looking forward to working here for a long time. No two days are the same here and I really enjoy it."

"My goal is to provide a clean, comfortable place for someone to come to study, or relax, or even to take part in recreation. The student is first priority here."

Town & Country adds a taste of romance to dinnertime

The one place in town where you won't run into anyone you know (and that's a good thing)

SARAH FENSKE
CO-EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

There is nothing more annoying than going out to dinner and running into your ex-boyfriend and your ex-boyfriend's boyfriend and your ex-boyfriend's boyfriend's ex-girlfriend and your ex-boyfriend's boyfriend's ex-girlfriend's roommate, but sometimes in Wooster, it's pretty hard to avoid. With a college of 1800 people and only five really popular restaurants, it's practically guaranteed that you will run into someone you'd rather not see.

Which is a perfect reason to go to Town & Country Restaurant, a barn-like building way out in the middle of nowhere that not only is nearer to campus than The Barn, but also offers a bit more in the way of atmosphere. The dining area may be a single cavernous room, but there are flickering lamps in quiet corners and the napkins are folded into extravagant mounds. It is exactly the sort of place likely to impress who ever it is you want to impress.

Fortunately, however, Town &

Country is not impressive in an ostentatious way. There are only two forks per place setting, and they don't try to push the wine list into your lap. As a matter of fact, there is no wine list, but they'll let you bring your own alcohol. The servers are competent, but not in a smug way, and there is nothing tricky on the menu requiring a knowledge of French. This is not the kind of place where they sneer at you if you order your steak medium well; it's a restaurant with class, but no real snob factor.

The menu is basic. There are a variety of steaks and surf-and-turf combinations and a swordfish that tops off the pricy options at \$26.95. But there is also spaghetti with a thick, flavorful marinara sauce for \$8.95 and butterfly shrimp fried in a seasoned batter and served piping hot for \$9.95. For the health conscious, there is the typical grilled chicken over angel hair pasta for \$12.95; for the impoverished student craving some non-Lowry red meat, the most inexpen-

sive strip steak is \$14.95. All non-pasta dishes are served with a choice of French fries, a baked potato or red skinned potatoes, and the fries are quite good.

Eating Out

Town & Country

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Code:

*	lame
**	decent
***	good
****	great
*****	fabulous

Scores are based on culinary skill, atmosphere and service. The opinions expressed are the opinions of the reviewer alone and not affected by advertising contracts.

If the prices seem foreboding, the bill doesn't get big as fast as it can at TJ's or The Olde Jaol, simply because the extras are affordable and

you won't be loading up on alcohol. Soft drinks are only \$1.00, and each entree includes a relish plate, rolls and butter, and a tossed salad with crisp lettuce and a few tomato wedges. The most expensive dessert is \$1.50, and appetizers come as inexpensively as \$1.95 for the French Onion soup. All told, a couple could have a nice night out for less than \$25, which is surprising, considering the quiet, rarefied atmosphere of the dining room.

Another Town & Country secret is the jukebox, which is actually free and loaded with good Frank Sinatra songs, although there is also a Debbie Gibson tune and a pretty interesting mix of everything from Nat King Cole to the Allman Brothers to Sinead O'Connor.

If you're going to do Town & Country right, you should probably start with the lobster bisque (\$3.95) or shrimp cocktail (\$5.95). Skip the garlic bread, which was just a hunk of warmed-over Italian bread instead of the basket you might ex-

pect. And make sure you order dessert — a scoop of ice cream is just \$1.00, and for \$1.50, you can get a parfait to rival the now absent Friendly's, with a beehive of whipped cream on top of layers of chocolate or caramel syrup and vanilla ice cream.

The food is good, the napkins are cool, and the jukebox is free, so it seems pretty incredible that Town & Country seems to be consistently nearly empty. But it's best not to quarrel with blessings. Your food will be hot, your server will be solicitous, and you won't run into anyone from Wooster like your ex-boyfriend or your ex-girlfriend or your ex-roommate. You may run into your I.S. advisor, but Town & Country is just that kind of place. It's kind of different, but it's definitely worth a try.

Town & Country is located at 4809 W. Old Lincoln Way in Wooster. It opens daily at 5 p.m. except on Monday. Reservations probably won't be necessary, but are preferred. Call 264-5600 for more information; large parties can also be accommodated.

Fitness Center plans for October opening

The world-class facility almost ready

MARY NIENABER
STAFF WRITER

The end of construction is near for the new fitness center in Armington Physical Education Center and fall athletes couldn't be happier. Space in the temporary weight room has been tight for athletes who have been training since August and the entire department is looking forward to the improved area. "We've maximized the space as much as possible, and we expect an early October opening," Athletic Director Robert Malekoff was happy to announce on Monday.

The new Fitness Center will replace the former weight room, with two main improvements being made. Structurally, walls have been knocked down to use as much space as possible, and a new entrance has been created. Overall, the area has been maximized to 4000 square feet. New mirrors will also be in place to aid with training exercises. The second main improvement, which the athletic department is especially looking forward to, is the extensive replacement of machines for the center, totaling 87 training stations. The first third of the room will consist of 21 cardiovascular machines, including seven treadmills, eight hikers (stair climbers), and six bikes. The middle of the room will hold new Cybex weight training machines, and the back of the room will hold new free weights. The new equipment is an extensive collection, which will allow athletes several options for training. Malekoff explained that a gift from trustee, Joan Carter, made a great deal of the

improvements possible, but the project was funded in full from a number of other sources.

Fall athletes have had to be patient while waiting for the completion of the construction, using the old equipment in a tight space behind the pool, but are happy that the improvements are near completion. "It would have been better to have the new weight room earlier in the season, but it's going to be great once it's open," Katherine Rath-Coursey '99, a cross country runner who has had to use the temporary room commented.

Adam Evans '01, a sweeper for the men's soccer team, felt the temporary equipment was adequate, but that the improvements were necessary for Wooster athletes to stay on top of their game. "We did have enough exercises to use what was there, but the new facilities will benefit our soccer team. College sports are so competitive that if you don't work out, you'll lose your competitive edge."

Although the new center will primarily benefit Wooster athletes, Malekoff was excited about the opportunities for everyone in the community. The room has been designed so that anyone who walks in is comfortable with using the equipment best suited for them. The athletic department will also be offering free orientation programs to aid students in learning about the new center. "We want this to be a facility that is very welcoming to someone that is just starting to train, as well as for our serious athletes who play for the college."

Scot Spirit Day flexes its muscles



Recruits, enthusiasm and balloons: staples of the first Friday at Wooster.

PHOTO BY AMELIA KAYS

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STAFF WRITER

The afternoon sun found The College of Wooster full of anticipation, as students gathered on the Lowry Center Patio and its adjoining hillside for the 1998 Scot Spirit Day.

The annual celebration, held on Friday, Sept. 4, was initially designed to introduce first-year, as well as "veteran" students to a multitude of new activities and organizations, as well as to strengthen the College's pride in its Scottish heritage.

The walkway, lined with booths and smiling faces, was indicative of the welcoming atmosphere and diversity that students are often impelled to explore. Each table invited the passers-by to discover new experiences and possibly disclose some previously unsatiated curiosity, whether it be in a volunteer group, the Outdoor Club, a fraternity, Student Government Association or the Wooster Medieval Society.

The displays were accompanied by the performances of the Highland Dancers, the Scot Marching Band and a festive, outdoor picnic.

College President R. Stanton Hales compared the 1998 festivities to those of past years, saying, "The atmosphere is as pleasant as ever! The bands seem to have grown a little bigger in size ... Scot Spirit Day is always a

wonderful display of a wide range of activities ... and we couldn't have asked for a more beautiful day!"

Paul Richlovsky '01 and Amanda Spicher '01, members of the volunteer group Circle K, flipped through the pages of their displayed scrapbook, encouraging the interested bystanders to see their club in action.

Spicher said, "Circle K is a great opportunity to meet people with a shared interest in community."

"By displaying the literature and information on Scot Spirit Day, we hope to inspire a lot of enthusiasm and energy to be focused to our table," added Richlovsky.

"It's always a good chance to see what The College of Wooster has to offer, for it allows the student body to find ways to truly get involved!" said cheerleader Kassie Arnold '99, in spirited support of the collaboration of efforts brought forth by the campus groups.

Not everyone had unequivocal praise for the day. Two year Spirit Day veteran and cynical sophomore Matt Frank said, "It's always a pleasure to enjoy Lowry food outside, but this year I was a little disappointed that the band and the Highland Dancers didn't wear their traditional kilts. I also would've liked to see a few more tables develop a more elaborate display or a more 'interactive' atmosphere with the crowd, such as the Ultimate Frisbee Club's contest or the live radio interviews."

On the whole, though, the day went well.

"It was good to see everybody again, to see who is back on campus and who belonged to what group. It was also real cool that people came and visited our table!" said Jeannie Kosinski '00 of Pi Kappa.

"I ran into lots of people that I hadn't seen since last semester," Kosinski added.

Scot Spirit Day made its impression on Wooster's first-year students as well.

"I'm amazed to see the incredibly diverse organizations represented here today. I'm really looking forward to participating in a variety of activities!" said Slone Isselhard '02.

Scot Spirit Day began at 4:30 p.m. and continued until 6:30, allowing the student body ample opportunity to enjoy the food and festivities after classes and before "Grease" was shown on Lowry hillside.

"There were more people than I thought could ever be enthusiastic about anything in the same two hour period," said an elated Matt Anderson '99.

"It's a great kick-off to the year," said Richlovsky of Circle K. "... a chance for the development of new friendships and opportunities, because the 'college experience' involves so much more than just classes."

"However," Anderson added sagely, "three weeks later if you think you're going to see all these people at your organizational meetings, you're dreaming!"

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Last Week in Wooster Sports

Cross Country

• The men's and women's cross country teams ran at Oberlin on Friday in a non-scoring event.

Field Hockey

Sept. 5: Wooster 6, Earlham 0
Sept. 6: DePauw 6, Wooster 1
Overall 1-2 NCAC 1-1

Football

Wooster	12	7	7	0	26
Grove City	3	7	7	0	17

	Wooster	Grove City
Total Yards	283	175
Rushing Yards	143	142
Yards Passing	140	33
Overall 1-0, NCAC 0-0		

Men's Soccer

• The Scot Soccer team battled to a tie against Ohio Northern Tuesday. Heading into Saturday's game against Heidelberg, the Scots have a record of 0-0-2. In yesterday's game, Ohio Northern scored at 12:57 in the first half on a penalty kick. Mike Sestili '99 scored a goal at the 20:40 mark of the first half. Neither team was able to score in the second half and overtime, leaving both teams knotted at 1-1. Goalie Mike Hulse '01 had five saves. The Scots will take on Heidelberg at home on Saturday at 3 p.m.

Volleyball

Sept. 5: Westminster def. Wooster 15-9, 15-7, 15-4
Wooster def. Geneva 7-15, 15-11, 15-7, 15-17, 17-15
Grove City def. Wooster 15-9, 15-12, 8-15, 15-6
Sept. 8: Wooster def. Hiram 15-10, 15-3, 15-8
Tiffin def. Wooster 15-7, 15-10, 15-11

Women's Soccer

Sept. 5: Hope 4, Wooster 0
Sept. 6: Wooster 3, Alma 2
Sept. 9: John Carroll 1, Wooster 0
Overall 1-2-0, NCAC 0-0-0

National Sports Briefs

• On Tuesday night Mark McGwire hit his 62 homerun, breaking Roger Maris' record. McGwire hit the first pitch he saw in the fourth inning off Steve Trachsel over the left field seats, breaking one of the most cherished records in baseball. The homerun was McGwire's shortest homerun of the season, and just barely cleared the left field fence. McGwire still has 19 games left to set the all-time mark. Cubs outfielder Sammy Sosa has 58 homeruns.

• The NFL owners named the Al Lerner led group the new owner of the Cleveland Browns. The Browns will start play next season, in a new publically funded stadium. It will cost the Lerner group \$576 million, \$79 million of which goes to the new stadium. NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue announced the owners decision Tuesday.

• The Michigan Wolverines lost their season opener versus Notre Dame. The defending national champions lost 30-26 at Notre Dame. In the pre-season polls, Michigan was ranked fifth in the nation.

• Number one ranked Ohio State won their season opener against the eleventh ranked West Virginia Mountaineers. The Buckeyes won 34-17, and stayed atop the polls. On Saturday Ohio State will play host to Toledo.

V-ball ends week at Carnegie Mellon



PHOTO BY ELISE BECCHETTI

The Lady Scots won two games this week, defeating Geneva and Hiram.

JAMES ALLARDICE
SPORTS EDITOR

The Lady Scot volleyball team will continue a busy week of action tonight when they travel to take on Baldwin Wallace. Following tonight's action, the Scots will play in Pittsburgh, Pa., at the Carnegie Mellon Tournament.

The Lady Scots enter tonight's action with a 2-4 record, after splitting two matches on Tuesday. In the early match against Hiram, Wooster notched their second win in the young season, winning 15-10, 15-3, 15-8. In their next match of the night, the Lady Scots were defeated 15-7, 15-10, 15-11 by Tiffin.

Scots down Wolverines

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missing all of last year with a knee injury, Brock Wanless '00 made an emphatic return. With the ball on the Wolverines near mid field, Wanless ran for a 47-yard touchdown. Neither team would score again, and the Scots would hold on for a 26-17 victory.

Jeff Elser '99 carried the bulk of the load, running the ball 24 times for 95 yards. Wanless saw limited action, carrying the ball 11 times for 56 yards.

"As the game wore on we saw more of the Brock Wanless that we grew so fond of two years ago," Barnes said. "I believe both Brock and Jeff got better as the game wore on. Both should get lots of carries this year and we'll handle them as we do any situation where we have two or more talented and deserving players at the same position — they'll both get opportunities."

Judd finished with 140 yards, completing 11 of 25 passes, two touchdowns and two interceptions.

"As we have seen in the past, Rich just gets better and better as a season wears on and he gets to know his personnel, the defense, and reacquaints himself with the offense

In the first match, Wooster trailed 9-8 before amassing seven of the final eight points. In the second match, the Lady Scots showed much of their untapped potential, crushing the Terriers 15-3. In the final game, Wooster jumped out to an early 10-1 lead before winning the match 15-8.

Individually, Mandy Rearick '00 recorded 14 kills in the win against Hiram. Next was one of the Lady Scots young talents, Jen Petkovsec '02 with six kills and setter Trisha Wiles '00 had 25 assists.

In the second match of the night, Wooster was swept 15-7, 15-10, 15-11 by Tiffin, marking the third time this season they have been swept.

integrating the old and the new," Barnes said. "I expect that to be the case this year. Rich Judd will win lots of ball games for us in 1998."

Defensively, the Scots played exceptionally strong, holding the Wolverines to only two completions for 33-yards. And despite Bowers gaining over 100 yards, he was unable to dominate the game. For the most part, the Scot defense was able to hold him to short yardage on first and second down, forcing the Wolverines to pass the ball on third down.

"The credit in the passing game goes primarily to Mike Murray who was 'put on an island' and did a marvelous job negating their passing game," Barnes said. Keathun Gale '00 led the team with 10 tackles, and had a late interception.

On Saturday, the Scots will travel to Michigan to take on Kalamazoo. Kalamazoo destroyed Oberlin on Saturday 47-2.

"They put a spanking on Oberlin in a very convincing fashion," Barnes said. "Defensively, they have always been a sound and aggressive group. Offensively, it looks like they have switched philosophies and are going with more of an option attack. It will be a very good ballgame."

In the first game, Tiffin jumped out to an early 4-0 lead, and never looked back, marching to a 15-7 victory.

The next two games saw the Lady Scots play some of their strongest volleyball of the season, despite losing both games. Wooster hung in both games against Tiffin, losing 15-10 and 15-11.

Rearick again led the Lady Scots in kills with 11 kills, Petkovsec had seven and Jodi Deibler '99 and Shelley Brown '02 had six kills each. Wiles led the team with 29 assists.

On Saturday the Lady Scots played three matches at Grove City in the Grove City Quadrangular. In the opening match against Westminster, Wooster fell 15-9, 15-7 and 15-4. In the second match of the day, Wooster notched its first win of the season in a see-saw match, defeating Geneva 7-15, 15-11, 15-7, 6-15, 17-15.

In the third match of the day the Lady Scots took on Grove City. Despite losing the first two matches to the Wolverines, the Lady Scots played well, losing 15-9 and 15-12. In the third game, Wooster won 15-8, but was unable to complete the comeback victory, losing the third game 15-6. For the season, Rearick leads the team with 73 kills, and Wiles leads the team with 309 assists.

Following Saturday's tournament at Carnegie Mellon, the Lady Scots will return home for a game against Marietta on Tuesday at 7 p.m.



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Women's soccer gets off to slow start



Wooster was chasing John Carroll all day long, losing 1-0 in overtime.

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KIRK LAPHAM
STAFF WRITER

The Lady Scot soccer team started their season with two games on the road last weekend. Wooster traveled to Michigan to play Hope on Saturday and stayed overnight to play Alma on Sunday. In the first game Wooster faced a tough Hope team that is a perennial power in the region.

The Lady Scots came out strong in the first half, creating three solid scoring chances but were not able to convert. The defense also played well, holding Hope to only one goal on a spectacular shot in the first half.

In the second half, Wooster had a tougher time holding Hope's offense in check, allowing three goals. The offense also had a hard time in the second half, creating fewer scoring chances. The final score was 4-0 with the Dutchman prevailing.

On Sunday the Lady Scots traveled down the road to Alma College to try to regroup. Wooster started

the game strong and converted on two scoring chances in the first half. Stephanie Hulke '02 scored the Lady Scots first goal and her first collegiate goal. Kristal Schockman '01 followed up Hulke's goal with Wooster's second goal. The goal was also Schockman's first collegiate goal.

Wooster then had a bit of a let-down, allowing Alma to score two goals in less than five minutes.

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Wooster was able to swing the momentum back in their favor by scoring their third goal less than ten minutes after Alma's two goals. Lealynd Pazderak '01 notched what turned out to be the game winning goal for the Lady Scots. The goal was Pazderak's first collegiate goal as well.

The last twenty minutes were tension filled, but Wooster held onto the lead. The Lady Scots created several scoring chances, but they were

not able to find the back of the net.

Head Coach David Brown was pleased with the way his team came back from a tough game and was pleased with the scoring he received from the forwards, midfielders and fullbacks. Brown hopes the team can improve on defending long range free kicks, which the Lady Scots failed to do over the weekend. Overall, Brown is happy with the way the young team is adjusting to the higher level of play and the new system the team is using this year.

The Lady Scots played John Carroll at home on Wednesday, losing 1-0 in overtime. Chaya Chashin '99 fired eight shots at the Blue Streak's keeper, but was unable to find the back of the net. For John Carroll, Julie Scaffidi scored at the 9:02 mark of overtime.

The Lady Scots are now 1-2. They play Wilmington at home on Saturday at 1 p.m. Wooster will need strong play from all areas to beat Wilmington, a team that reached the nationals last season.

CC runs at Oberlin

Runners prepare for GLCAs

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War has been declared against the NCAC by the two time defending champion Lady Scots. As for the men, injuries have set them back a bit, and they have exactly one week to redeem themselves at the GLCAs.

Last Tuesday marked the beginning of the cross country season when the Scots traveled to Oberlin to face the Yeomen in a distance shortened, non-scoring meet. While the women made an excellent showing, the men's need to get healthy was painfully evident.

For the Lady Scots, everyone contributed, had fun and remembered that teamwork will get you where you want to go. In the non-scoring meet, the Lady Scots had four of the top five finishers. Co-captains Emily Gorka '99 and Beth Huffman '99 finished first and second respectively with times of 16:15 and 16:23, Sandy Techlenburg '01 finished fourth, and Christy Judd finished fifth.

"The team really worked together," Huffman said. "I was happy with how the team did." In order to reach their goal of a three-peat, the Lady Scots will have to do just that: work together.

As for the men, things could have gone better, but there is plenty of time for improvement. The Scots were without co-captains Andrew Dawson '99 and Allyn Peterson '99, as well as Marty Coppola '02. The meet against Oberlin was one to forget about, learn from and move on, if the Scots want be ready for the conference championships.

In the meet itself, transfer student Nick Chiorian '01 was the only runner to finish in the top seven for the Scots, finishing fourth with a time of 22:31. The effects of injuries can be seen right there.

Dawson said, "We know what we need to do to have success at the conference meet. If we stay healthy, consistent, and focused in our training, we hope to have a successful race at the conference meet."

If the Scots can stay healthy and get the workouts in now, the season could be promising. But if the Scots cannot stay healthy and focused, they could be in for a long ride.

Head Coach Dennis Rice said, "I am confident that both teams will develop and progress as the season moves along. After two weeks of hard training we competed well, and we will get better."

The Scots will prepare this week for the Great Lakes College Association meet.

Beat the Experts: Week One

Think you know football? Well, here is your chance to take on the experts and pick the winners of this week's college football and NFL games. All you have to do is pick the winner of each game and turn in your picks by Saturday.

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NFL

Game of the Week
Green vs. Tampa Bay

Other Games

Denver vs. Dallas
S.F. vs. Washington
Buffalo vs. Miami
Kansas City vs. Jacksonville
San Diego vs. Tennessee
NY Giants vs. Oakland
Carolina vs. New Orleans
Baltimore vs. NY Jets
Chicago vs. Pittsburgh

College Football

Game of the Week
Wooster vs. Kalamazoo

Other Games

Syracuse vs. Michigan
UCLA vs. Texas
Notre Dame vs. Michigan St.
Arizona State vs. BYU
Stanford vs. Arizona
Missouri vs. Kansas
Maryland vs. Virginia
Georgia vs. South Carolina
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Field hockey gets first win Lady Scots follow first win with loss

JAMIE MAPES
ASSISTANT EDITOR

This Saturday the women's field hockey team will take the field for the first time at home against Wittenberg. Up until now the team has been on the road, accumulating a 1-3 record.

Both times the Scots faced Wittenberg last year they lost 1-0. This year will hopefully be different with the younger players starting.

The season opener against Denison on Sept. 2 resulted in a close loss for the Lady Scots. Amanda Bernardon '01 and Kathryn Temple '02 each scored a goal, but the team still fell one short.

On Sept. 5, the team beat Earlham 6-0. Jeannie Kosinski '00, Bernardon, Miriam Esbar '02, Callie Blanch '99 and Temple all scored in that game. With that goal Bernardon

became the team's leading scorer with two goals and three assists.

The next day though, the Lady Scots were in for another loss. DePauw beat the Scots 6-1 with Maura Finn '00 scoring the only Wooster goal of the game.

The Earlham game not only put Bernardon in a good position, but it also brought Head Coach Brenda Meese one win closer to the 100 mark. Meese, who came back to Wooster in 1989 to coach, after graduating in 1975, has a record of 91-56-4.

Meese is looking at a difficult season with eight seniors not returning and Marissa Moore '00, who led the team last year with 20 goals and four assists, also not playing. She will rely heavily in Bernardon, Finn, Jen Hayman '00 and Jeanine Edmonds '99 to fill the void left.

Heitsenrether named NCAA Woman of Year



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JAMES ALLARDICE
SPORTS EDITOR

After being a four-year letterwinner, and a two time All-American field hockey start at Wooster, Heather Heitsenrether '98 received one of the NCAA's highest honors.

This past week, Heitsenrether was named NCAA Woman of the Year for Ohio, for her achievements on the playing field, in the classroom and in the community.

The NCAA awarded 51 state winners, from all three Division I, II and III schools. Amongst more than 400 nominations nationally, Heitsenrether chosen as Ohio's NCAA Woman of the Year. Of the 51 winners, she was one of only 15 from Division III schools.

While at Wooster, Heitsenrether earned first-team All-NCAC three times, and was the NCAC Defensive Player of the Year in 1997. Additionally, she earned second-team All-American distinction as a junior and last season was named first-team All-American. Despite being an outstanding defensive player, she accumulated three points her senior year, with one goal and one assist.

Heitsenrether's achievements were not limited to field hockey. She was named to the National Field Hockey Coaches Association Academic Squad her final three years at Wooster and in 1998 was named the NCAC's Scholar Athlete.

In the community, Heitsenrether worked with emotionally disturbed children at Camp Milestone and was a church school teacher. She is now hoping to become a special education teacher.

Football beats Grove City 26-17



PHOTO BY BEN SPEILDENNER

Running back Jeff Elser '99 plows over three Wolverine defenders.

JAMES ALLARDICE
SPORTS EDITOR

Sometimes appearance doesn't matter. The Scot football team doesn't care that Saturday's 26-17 victory over Grove City wasn't the prettiest of victories. They do care that it was a victory.

Opening the season against a very strong Grove City team, the Scots were happy to leave John P. Papp Stadium with a 1-0 record.

"As I told the players before the game, any win in an opening game is a very good win and this was especially so with the caliber of opponent we had in Grove City," Head Coach Jim Barnes said.

The Scots came out strong, showing the quick strike ability that they displayed last year. In their first offensive possession, quarterback Rich Judd '99 marched the Scots down the field and connected with wide receiver Reggie Ray '00 for a 22-yard touchdown. Judd lofted the

ball in the air, where only Ray could catch it, and Ray used his blazing speed and a spectacular dive to bring down the touchdown.

Grove City was unable to score on their first possession, and the Scots offense struck again. On the Scots second possession, Judd again

"As the game wore on we saw more of the Brock Wanless that we grew so fond of two years ago," Head Coach Jim Barnes said. "I believe both Brock and Jeff both got better as the game wore on."

connected with Ray for an 11-yard touchdown. Despite the Scots fast start, they were unable to bury the Wolverines.

"One of our off-season points of emphasis was to become a fast-starting team and we were certainly that on Saturday," Barnes said. "Two three-and-outs and two touchdowns were an ideal start."

Following Ray's second touch-

down in the first quarter, the Scots saw their first real glimpse of Grove City's powerful running back, R.J. Bowers. Bowers took the ensuing kickoff and returned it into Wooster territory. The Wooster defense was able to hold Grove City to a field goal, making the score 12-3.

On the next Scot possession, Judd fumbled the snap and was unable to recover. Grove City's offense took over deep in Scot territory and only a few plays later Bowers waltzed into the end zone. With two quick scores, a field goal and a Bowers run, the Wolverines were right back in the game.

"We let Grove City back in it with poor kick-off coverage and then a very costly fumble on the 15 in a third and one situation," Barnes said. "We had an opportunity to control the half and let it slip away."

As the first half wound down, the Wolverines tried to awaken their passing game. To this point in the game, Grove City had been unable to complete a pass. The Wolverines quarterback was intercepted by Mike Murray '99 who returned it 31 yards for a touchdown. With the late score, the Scots were up 19-10 at halftime.

In the second half the Wolverines struck first, scoring with 3:12 left in the quarter. Again, it was Bowers muscling his way into the endzone, this time from one yard out.

Bowers shouldered the load for the Wolverines all day, carrying the ball 35 times and gaining 127 yards. Bowers abilities were not limited to offense either; he returned three kickoffs for 117 yards.

"I am not sure we will face a better running back in the regular season. I was very impressed with the speed he had for a man his size," Barnes said. "He is a gifted running back and in light of the number of carries he had I suspect he is due for some much bigger games than the one he had against us on Saturday."

With the score 19-17, the Scots were in need of an offensive lift. After the early start, the offense appeared to be stagnant. With the ball just across mid field, the Scots found the pick-me-up they needed. After

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Wooster's Week in Sports

Women's Soccer

Sat. Wilmington 1 p.m. (H)
Tues. Mount Union 4:30 p.m. (H)

Field Hockey

Sat. Wittenberg 1 p.m. (H)

Football

Sat. Kalamazoo 1:30 p.m. (A)

Cross Country

No Meets Scheduled

Men's Soccer

Sat. Heidelberg 3 p.m. (H)
Wed. Ohio Wesleyan 4:30 (H)

Volleyball

Thurs. Baldwin Wallace 7 p.m. (A)
Sat. Carnegie Mellon Tournament 11 a.m. (A)